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For: THE SELECTIVE CHEMICAL-MECHANICAL POLISHING
PROPERTIES OF A CROSS-LINKED POLYMER AND SPECIFIC
APPLICATIONS THEREFOR

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COMMENT ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

In response to the Examiner's Notice of Allowance mailed on October 4, 2004, please accept
the following remarks.

The Applicants wish to note for the record their position that the recitation of the cross-linked polymer having the selectivity of Cu to Ta removal rates in Claim 1 characterizes the properties of the cross-linked polymer, and does not limit the claim to a polishing pad for polishing only Cu or Ta.

Respectfully submitted,

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